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wherein A is hydrogen or deuterium, R is C_{1-6} -alkyl, C_{3-10} -cycloalkyl or phenyl, which may each be substituted with C_{1-3} -alkoxy, fluorine, chlorine,

bromine, iodine, nitro, amino, hydroxyl, oxo, mercapto or deuterium and where the C-atom marked with a star "*" is present in the (R)-configuration.

- 20. Our belief referred to in the preceding paragraph is based on the similarity in structure between the free base of Fesoterodine and the compounds having the structure depicted in the preceding paragraph.
- 21. It is our opinion that those skilled in the art of transdermal delivery of pharmaceutical compounds would share the belief mentioned in paragraph 19 above.
- 22. Statements herein based on our own knowledge are true; statements herein based on information and belief are believed to be true. We acknowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, as provided for by 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and may jeopardize the validity or enforceability of any patent that may mature from the present application.

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